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1. CAIRO PRESS FEB 9 GIVES MORE DETAILS ABOUT PLANE HIJACKER KAMAL RIYAD HAGGAG'S REPORTED INVOLVEMENT WITH AMERICAN AND ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE. FRAMEWORK IS AS DESCRIBED PARA 5 REFTEL WITH MANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS. GIVES NAMES 5 AMERICAN AND 2 ISRAELI AGENTS WHO IN CONTACT WITH HAGGAG IN ITALY IN 1961 AND EARLY 1962 AND LIST OF MILITARY SUBJECTS ON WHICH AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE ASKED HIM GET INFORMATION (NOTABLY MIG PLANES AND BASES). HAGGAG

RECEIVED WEAPONS TRAINING AT AMERICAN BASE NEAR VERONA, VISITED AMERICAN BASE IN GERMANY. TO AMERICANS HAGGAG CLAIMED BE COUSIN BRIG GEN TAHA AL ZINAINI AND MAJ SAYID HAGGAG AND CLAIMED BE ABLE RECRUIT ARMY OFFICERS TO PARTICIPATE IN COUP IN UAR WHICH CIA ALLEGEDLY PLOTTING. HAGGAG MET JOINTLY WITH AMERICAN AGENTS AND SALAH MUTAWWIA, PROMINENT EGYPTIAN EXILE WHOM PRESS IMPLIES ALSO WORKED FOR AMERICANS. STORY BACKED UP BY PUBLICATION PHOTOSTATS HAGGAG'S SIGNED STATEMENT AND UAR DOCUMENT BOTH SUMMARIZING HIS CONTACTS WITH AMERICAN AND ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE, PLUS PHOTOSTATS TWO TELEGRAMS FROM AMERICAN AGENT TO HAGGAG.

2. IT APPEARS THAT IN EARLY 1962 HE MERELY TOLD UAR CONSULATE GENOA THAT HE HAD BEEN PROPOSITIONED BY AMERICAN AND ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE. HAGGAG GAVE UAR CONSUL PHOTOSTAT CHECK PAID HIM

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BY AMERICAN AGENT. ON INSTRUCTIONS UAR INTELLIGENCE, CONSUL TOLD HIM DROP CONTACT AND REPATRIATED HIM. IN UAR IN 1962 HE UNSUCCESSFULLY SOUGHT WORK ALSO FOR UAR INTELLIGENCE. UAR INTELLIGENCE CONCLUDED THAT MID-1962 CLANDESTINE TRIP TO LIBYA WAS MADE TO CONTACT CIA OR ISRAELI INTELLIGENCE, AND SO HAD HIM IMPRISONED AND INTERROGATED.

3. APPARENTLY HAGGAG HAS BEEN TRYING ARRANGE ESCAPE FROM UAR SINCE HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON IN APRIL 1964. HE HAS BEEN ON BLACKLIST OF PERSONS WHOSE DEPARTURE PROHIBITED. BATTLE
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